Data for Wilmington African Americans Compared to North Carolina African Americans

Variable	1880		1900		1910		1920	
	Wilm.	NC	Wilm.	NC	Wilm.	NC	Wilm.	NC
Fully Literate	20%	17%	35%	37%	58%	57%	73%	67%
Partially Literate	6%	7%	6%	8%	2%	6%	1%	2%
Non-Literate	74%	75%	59%	55%	39%	37%	25%	30%
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Owned/Mortgaged Home		ļ	35%	27%	27%	34%	43%	35%
Occupational Score	9.60	8.67	8.06	9.5	8.97	9.99	10.44	9.75
SEI (social/economic index)	7.20	6.66	7.07	8.1	7.77	9.14	9.72	9.43

Data for Wilmington Whites Compared to North Carolina Whites

Variable	1880		1900		1910		1920	
	Wilm.	NC	Wilm.	NC	Wilm.	NC	Wilm.	NC
Fully Literate	78%	71%	88%	79%	92%	85%	95%	90%
Partially Literate	3%	7%	3%	5%	2%	4%	.2%	1%
Non-Literate	19%	23%	9%	15%	5%	11%	5%	9%
Owned/Mortgaged Home			50%	60%	55%	58%	53%	60%
Occupational Score	9.74	8.51	8.53	9.80	12.01	10.89	12.85	11.37
SEI (social/economic index)	11.29	9.28	7.90	11.40	14.79	12.60	16.20	13.92

The second data set provided detail concerning home ownership. More individuals within Wilmington's African American population than elsewhere in the state owned homes, as can be seen in the 1900 figures. Again, this number indicates that large numbers of the city's black property owners were not being pushed into selling their holdings immediately after the violence. However, a slump in ownership can be seen by 1910, with the area's average home ownership rate falling below the state average. The slump was overcome by 1920, with, once again, more African Americans

in Wilmington than in other portions of the state owning property.

For the city's white population, the figures for ownership remained relatively constant, rising slightly in 1910 but declining slightly in 1920 while white ownership in the rest of the state held steady with only slight variation over the three decades. The increase in white ownership was 5 percent in 1910 whereas the decrease in black ownership was 8 percent. (Further research in deed books is needed to see if there is a correlation between a decline in black property ownership and an increase in white ownership.) The trend was